

# Fact Sheet

## Governor's S.A.F.E. Communities Program Federal & Other Grants

Office of Kansas Governor Kathleen Sebelius

### Federal Family Violence Prevention and Services Act Grant Program (FVPSA) July 1, 2004 to June 30, 2005

In FY 2005, the Federal Family Violence Prevention and Services Act Grant Program (FVPSA) provided \$1,091,772 to 22 domestic violence programs in Kansas. The U.S. Department of Health & Human Services provides funding for this grant.

FVPSA funds pay for support group activities for women and children, child care, prevention education in schools and communities, information and referral services, advocacy in obtaining protection from abuse orders, court accompaniment, outreach into rural counties, etc. One of the Governor's S.A.F.E. Communities Program's priorities is ensuring services are provided 24-hours-a-day, seven-days-a-week and free to domestic violence victims and their children. Many programs provide outreach services in the rural counties. Services offered include safe homes, support groups, crisis intervention, court accompaniment and transportation.

Kansas domestic violence programs make every effort to reach those who are underserved. Many of the programs have volunteers and staff of different ethnic, racial, cultural and language diversities in order to meet the victims and their children's needs. Some programs have developed specific services for the underserved areas of their communities. Some programs have their brochures and literature to assist victims in various languages or have access to interpreters. Shelter facilities are accessible to those who are differently abled or an alternative safe shelter is provided. Volunteers in the rural isolated areas provide transportation. Many programs also provide access to toll-free numbers for victims to call without a long distance charge. In addition, Kansas has a toll-free number to assist local programs with AT&T interpreter services, 888-END-ABUSE.

#### In 2005, domestic violence programs provided face-to-face services to:

- \* 12,880 women
- \* 1,169 children
- \* 992 men

#### The programs provided shelter to:

- \* 1,507 women who were new to shelter
- \* 1,280 children who were new to shelter
- \* 4 men who were new to shelter
- \* 177 women who were returning to shelter
- \* 141 children who were returning to shelter

A total of 62,327 bed nights were provided to women, children and men.

The programs responded to 27,785 domestic violence crisis calls

#### During 2005, the programs delivered the following number of services to domestic violence primary and secondary victims. The numbers illustrate the number of services provided, not the number of victims served.

- \* 28,677 Counseling Services
- \* 11,651 Group Counseling Services
- \* 24,440 Information and Referral Services
- \* 12,871 Criminal Justice & Court Advocacy Services
- \* 20,698 Personal Advocacy Services
- \* 5,404 Transportation Services
- \* 21,675 Victim Related Calls
- \* 1,743 Public Presentations

**Background of Victims:**

- \* Abused as a Child—2,251
- \* Witnessed Abuse—4,101

**Domestic Violence Victims Served by Race:**

- \* Alaskan Native—2
- \* Asian—107
- \* African American—2,548
- \* Caucasian—10,257
- \* Hispanic/Latino—2,314
- \* Native American—251
- \* Pacific Islander—25
- \* Other—372
- \* Unknown—4

**Age of Victims:**

- \* 0-12 Years Old—3,457
- \* 13-17 Years Old—712
- \* 18-24 Years Old—3,365
- \* 25-40 Years Old—5,451
- \* 41-59 Years Old—2,682
- \* 60 Years Old + —213

**Domestic Violence Victims with Special Needs:**

- \* Persons with disabilities—412
- \* Pregnant—337
- \* Mental health conditions—955
- \* Undocumented citizens living in the U.S.—215
- \* Non-English speaking—341
- \* Other—112

**Law Enforcement Intervened during 5,890 Domestic Violence Incidents****The programs provided services to 112 batterers:**

- \* 77 were ordered by the court to attend the program
- \* 35 voluntarily participated in the program

**Background of Batterers:**

- \* Abused as a Child—32
- \* Witnessed Abuse—30

**Race of Batterers:**

- \* Alaskan Native—0
- \* Asian—1
- \* African American—30
- \* Caucasian—67
- \* Hispanic/Latino—12
- \* Native American—1
- \* Pacific Islander—0
- \* Other—1

**Age of Batterers:**

- \* 0-12 Years Old—0
- \* 13-17 Years Old—9
- \* 18-24 Years Old—37
- \* 25-40 Years Old—48
- \* 41-59 Years Old—18
- \* 60 Years Old + —0

**Batterers:**

- \* Used Alcohol/Drugs During Incident—2,741
- \* Used Gun During Incident—286
- \* Used Knife During Incident—330
- \* Used Body as a Weapon During Incident—3,093
- \* Used Other Object as a Weapon During Incident—1,170

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